

SUBJECT: Controlled Multiple Address Letters (CMAL) No. 18-01 - Operational Camouflage Pattern (OCP) Tactical Flag, Name and USAF Tapes, Organizational Patches, Occupational Badges, Skill Badges, Identification Badges and Rank Insignia

AUTHORITY: AFI 23-101, AFI 84-105, AFI 36-2903, AFMAN 33-326, AFMAN 33-361

Transition to the OCP uniform on the above subject items have an optional wear date of **1 October 2018** and a **mandatory** wear date of **1 April 2021**.

Air Force OCP accoutrements will be embroidered using the following color criteria: Spice Brown (67196), Bagby Green (67204), Olive Drab (67133) and Black (67138) per the official manufacturing drawing approved by The Institute of Heraldry (TIOH).

U.S. Tactical Flag, Name/USAF Tapes and Rank Insignia are mandatory wear items on the OCP uniform and can be purchased from AAFES Military Clothing Stores and/or an authorized vendor. Per AFI 84-105, dated 27 April 2017, ***"Organizations should obtain patches only from certified vendors to ensure quality reproduction."*** Units may use the following authorized manufacturers for local purchase of subject items by CONUS requisitions as follows:

- Action Embroidery Corp., 1315 West Brooks St, Ontario, CA 91762, 1-800-638-7223.
- AB Emblem/Conrad Industries, 22 AB Emblem Drive, Weaverville, NC 28787, 1-800-353-4836.
- Hallmark Emblem Inc., 2401 N Tampa Street, Tampa, FL 33602, 813-223-5427.
- Ira Green Inc., 177 Georgia Avenue, Providence, RI 02905, 401-680-7904.
- The Supply Room Inc., 230 Supply Room Road, Oxford, AL 36203, 256-835-7699.
- Vanguard Military Equipment Corp., 1172 Azalea Garden Road, Norfolk, VA 23502. East Coast unit 1-800-221-1264. 2440 Impala Drive, Carlsbad, CA 92010. West Coast unit 1-800-433-1334.

Tactical Flag. The size of the Air Force OCP Tactical Flag will be 3-1/4" length by 1-13/16" width and is worn on the right shoulder. The color of the Air Force OCP Tactical Flag is Spice Brown (67196) and Bagby Green (67204); assigned National Stock Number is 8455-01-675-0282.

Name and USAF Tapes.

- The OCP Name and USAF Tapes will be worn on the front of the OCP Uniform coat. The Name Tape will be worn on the upper right and the USAF Tape will be worn on the upper left. The Name Tape will also be worn on the back of the patrol cap. The color of Name and USAF Tapes will be Spice Brown (67196) embroidered on OCP material.
- ANG and AFR personnel can purchase their OCP Name and USAF Tapes from the Kentucky Logistics Operations Center (KYLOC) <https://kyloc.com>
- Air Force Active Duty personnel can purchase their OCP Name and USAF Tapes from AAFES https://www.shopmyexchange.com/browse/military/air-force-uniforms/_/N-104764 and/or an authorized vendor.

Organizational Patches.

- Air Force constituted organizational entities (establishments and units) as defined in AFI 38-101, *Air Force Organization*, (e.g. HAF, MAJCOMs, Air Force Component Commands, NAFs, FOAs, DRUs, Wings, Groups, Squadrons) are required to have organizational patches designed and worn by Airmen assigned to those units.
- Air Force Non-Unit organization entities (entity not constituted as a unit) as defined in AFI 38-101, *Air Force Organization*, (e.g. Directorates, Air Force Elements, Detachments, Commanders Support Staff) are not required and are considered optional.

Note: This policy does not apply to Airmen assigned or deployed to Joint or Sister Service organizations. While assigned or deployed to these units, Airmen are authorized to wear the respective Joint or Service organizational patches or badges.

Current unit of assignment OCP patches will be worn on the left sleeve. All Patches must be subdued using Spice Brown (67196), Bagby Green (67204), Olive Drab (67133) and Black (67138) per TIOH manufacturing drawing. If authorized by the applicable HAF Director, MAJCOM, FOA and DRU Commanders, Non-Unit organization entities OCP patches may be worn on the left sleeve as a unit of assignment/organizational patch. The patch must meet the specifications contained in this CMAL.

Organization Patches Configuration Example

If Assigned to:	Right Sleeve	Left Sleeve
HAF	HAF	Directorate
MAJCOM	MAJCOM	Directorate
NAF	MAJCOM	NAF
FOA	FOA	Directorate
DRU	DRU	Directorate
Wing	MAJCOM	Wing
Group	MAJCOM	Group
Squadron	MAJCOM	Squadron

Constituted organizational entities organizational patch development or color conversion submission schedule will coincide in order of base locations identified on HAF OCP rollout plan. Units do not have to submit a request for conversion, required information will be provided to the AFHRA and TIOH by HAF/A1 PA. The manufacturing priority list has been set by the Headquarters Air Force Military Force Management Policy Directorate, AF/AIP. Organizational patches will be developed and approved by TIOH in order to ensure the highest degree of quality assurance. TIOH will work only through the appointed MAJCOM POCs, not individual units. The MAJCOM POC will notify units with the name of the manufacturer who can provide the most responsive support once their emblem is approved. Alternate manufacturing and procurement methods are not authorized.

Funding for all constituted organizational emblems, color conversion, and development has already been funded by Headquarters Air Force. Through this initial transition units are not required to have a MIPR for their development or conversion requests. However, after the development or conversion, the unit is responsible for funding and/or providing patches to their Airmen accordingly.

Non-Unit organizational entities that are permitted to wear Non-Unit organization patches must procure and fund the patch design, color conversion and development commercially. All patches must be subdued using Air Force color criteria of Spice Brown (67196), Bagby Green (67204), Olive Drab (67133) and Black (67138).

Occupational and Skill Badges. Will be worn IAW AFI 36-2903. Occupational and Skill Badges will be Spice Brown (67196) embroidered on OCP material per the official TIOH manufacturing drawing.

Identification Badges. Will be worn IAW AFI 36-2903. Identification Badges are Spice Brown (67196), Bagby Green (67204), Olive Drab (67113) and Black (67138) embroidered on OCP material per the official TIOH manufacturing drawing.

Rank Insignia. Will be worn IAW AFI 36-2903. OCP Rank insignia embroidered colors are Spice Brown (67196), Khaki (67193) and Black (67138) and manufactured IAW TIOH manufacturing drawing as follows:

- General Officer: General, Lieutenant General, Major General and Brigadier General are Spice Brown (67196) embroidered on OCP material.
- Officer: Colonel, Major, Captain and Second Lieutenant are Spice Brown (67196) embroidered on OCP material. Lieutenant Colonel and First Lieutenant are Black (67138) embroidered on OCP material.
- Enlisted: All Enlisted Rank Insignia is Spice Brown (67196) embroidery with a Khaki (67193) embroidered border on OCP material.

The following instructions apply for overseas requisitions requesting Air Force OCP Rank Insignias:

- Purchases can be made through your local AAFES https://www.shopmyexchange.com/browse/military/air-force-uniforms/_/N-104764 or through one of the authorized manufacturers noted above in paragraph.
- Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard can purchase Operational Camouflage Pattern Rank Insignias through KYLOC <https://kyloc.com>
- Air Force Active Duty service members scheduled for deployment can purchase through their Installation Military Clothing Sales.
- Air Force Enlisted Active Duty and Officers can purchase Operational Camouflage Pattern Rank Insignias through AAFES if it is a minimum of ten and under at: https://www.shopmyexchange.com/browse/military/air-force-uniforms/_/N-104764 or through one of the authorized manufacturers noted above. If a bulk order is required use one of the authorized manufacturers noted above.